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J. LOEWEN DEAD.

Pioneer--Passed Away at Residence, Gorge Road, Yesterday Evening--Funeral Wednesday.

Another pioneer passed away yesterday evening in the person of Mr. Joseph Loewen. The death occurred at about 6.30 o'clock at the residence, Rockwood, Gorge road, and although generally regretted was not altogether unexpected. Deceased has been ill since Christmas, but his condition did not become really serious until the past few days. He was highly respected by all who knew him, and the news of his demise will come as a shock to his many friends and acquaintances not only here, but in other parts of the province, where he is well known. Sincere sympathy is felt for the widow and family in their bereavement. Mr. Loewen was president and principal owner of the Victoria-Phoenix Brewing Company, and has been connected with business enterprises in different parts of British Columbia. He was 71 years of age and a native of Edler on the Moselle, near Coblenz in Prussia. In 1858 he first came to Victoria on the way to Cariboo. He was accompanied by two friends, Jacob and Frank Sehl, with whom he came from Germany to New York, and from the latter place to the California gold fields. It was while there that the Cariboo excitement took place, and as a result the

three friends joined the rush to British Columbia. Subsequently he was engaged for a time in the shingle business. In 1871 with the late Louis Erb he purchased the Victoria brewery from Vogel & Loris, and finally the Victoria & Phoenix businesses were combined, Mr. Loewen becoming the president. During his long residence here Mr. Loewen has been connected with many organizations and societies. Formerly he was a prominent member of the Singverein, an old German musical society. He was formerly a member of the volunteer fire department in connection with the Deluge Company. He also belonged to Victoria lodge, I. O. O. F., and was connected with one of the local Masonic orders.

Mr. Loewen was married in 1864 to Eva, daughter of Adam Laumeister, and leaves a family of eight, two sons and six daughters, to mourn his loss. Charles and Herman Loewen reside in Vancouver and Southern California respectively. All his daughters reside here, and two, Mrs. F. S. Boenard and Mrs. A. W. Jones, are married.

The funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon from the residence, and at 2.30 from St. Saviour's church.

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CHALLENGER'S TRIALS NOW ABOUT AT END

Work of Fitting Yachts for Ocean Trip Begins on Monday--Out for a Spin To-Day.

(Associated Press.)
Gourock, May 12.—Sir Thomas Lipton and Designer Fife have decided that it is not necessary to devote further time to trials between the Shamrocks on this side of the Atlantic, consequently Saturday's race will be the last. The two yachts will be sent to the Greenock yard on Monday in order to be fitted with their ocean rigs. Racing, however, has been arranged for every day this week. The boats started at 10.30 this morning over a course from Gourock to Rothsay and Baloch bay and return, 40 miles. A light steady wind was blowing, and fine weather canvas was set on both yachts. Shamrock I. had the advantage in being two hundred yards ahead to windward when the yachts started to beat down channel on the first leg of the course, but the cup challenger lying very high in the wind pulled up steadily. After a couple of miles short tacking the Shamrocks came together and the challenger had done so well that she was able to cross the bows of her opponent and take the lead. On tacking the Rothsay mark at the finish of a ten-mile beat, the times were Shamrock III., 1.03.15; Shamrock I., 1.10.40.

COMPLETE PROGRAMME FOR CELEBRATION

The Arrangements for the Victoria Day Festivities Almost Finished--Regatta Events.

The Victoria Day celebration this year promises to be as great, if not a greater, success than any up to the present. It was doubtful a month ago whether the usual festivities would be held in honor of the birthday of the late Queen Victoria, many contending that it would be better to postpone the celebration to a later date. In spite of this rather inauspicious commencement, however, the committees in charge have worked so energetically during the past few weeks in preparation for the occasion that already an excellent programme has been decided upon, subscriptions collected and other incidental business transacted. So expeditious has everything been done that from now until a couple of days before the 25th the committees will not need to trouble themselves greatly about the forthcoming celebration.

The programme this year shows the result of experience. Although every part of the day is provided for, the various events are not crowded together in a way that will cause confusion. The complete list of events where they will be held and the time of starting follows:

Morning.
First league lacrosse match of season, Vancouver vs. Victoria, commencing at 10 o'clock at the Cauldwell grounds.
Afternoon.
Regatta at the Gorge, commencing at 1 o'clock, including lapstreak event for championship of British Columbia.
Baseball--Whitcomb vs. Ogik Bay park, commencing at 3 o'clock at Ogik Bay park.

Evening.
Illumination and fireworks--Display to be given by Hett Bros., commencing at 9 o'clock at Beacon Hill.
A feature of the celebration will be the music. Special arrangements have been made for the engagement of the Fifth Regiment and City bands, to which will probably be added the Kuper Island aggregation. A musical programme will be rendered in the morning at the lacrosse match, and in the afternoon during the progress of the regatta. There will also be a band in attendance at the fireworks display at Beacon Hill in the evening. It has not yet been decided whether a band will be present at the baseball match, but it is probable that arrangements will be made for this also.

One of the principal matters yet to be dealt with is the receiving of entries for the different events of the regatta. The programme has been drawn up as appended, but as yet entries have not come in. It is requested that those intending to take part submit their names to the secretary as soon as possible. The regatta programme follows:

1. Service tugs--Course round Deadman's Island, leaving it at the port hand, returns to base, about two miles. Open to Army and Navy regular forces. Boats to allow ten seconds a thwart per mile.
2. Double sculls, schoolboy's race--Open to boys actually attending school. Only one crew from each school--Boats to allow ten seconds a thwart per mile.
3. Four-oared gig race--Course as in race No. 1. Open to men of H. M. Army forces.
4. Four-oared lapstreak amateur senior championship of British Columbia.
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6. Skiffs--Officers of H. M. forces, with

lady coxswain. Double sculls, skiffs, outriggers and sliding seats barred. Post entries.
7. Indian war canoe--Under 40 feet. Course round Island and return.
8. Tandem Peterboro canoe--Open to all amateurs. Course from a point below Curtil's Point to base. Race to start as soon as race No. 7 has passed the boat house on the way down.
9. Service five-oared whalers--Course as in race 1. Open to stokers.
10. Kitchener's canoe race--Working canoes only. Course from starters' barge round buoy and return.
11. Four-oared lapstreak amateur junior championship--Open to all amateurs who have not competed in a senior four-oared race. Course same as in No. 5.
12. Service five-oared whalers and four-oared gigs--Course as in race No. 1. Open to Army and Navy regular forces. Boats to allow 12 seconds per thwart per mile.
13. Peterboro canoe upset race--Two men amateur. Course round buoy and return.
14. Service five-oared whalers--Course from Deadman's Island to base. Open to day men and marines.
15. Tub race--Open. Post entries.
16. Service five-oared whalers and six-oared gigs. Course as in race 1. Open to seamen R. N. boats to allow 10 seconds per thwart per mile.
17. Kitchener's canoe race--Open to Army and Navy regular forces. Any sized boat, any number of oars. Post entries.

A meeting of the finance committee is being held this afternoon at the city hall for the purpose of receiving the reports of the different sub-committees to date.

FATAL EXPLOSION.

Man Killed in Protection Island Mines--Two Others Were Seriously Injured.
(Special to the Times.)
Nanaimo, May 12.—A serious accident occurred at the Protection Island mines this morning, in which John Lawson lost his life and two others were seriously injured.

It appears Lawson was handling dynamite preparatory to making a shot when a spark from a lamp set fire to the fuse. An explosion immediately following, striking Lawson in the face, frightfully injuring his head, breaking his arms, legs, and mangle him fearfully. He was removed to the hospital, but succumbed a few minutes later.
Two other men, Gantley and Churchill, were badly burned, but will recover.
Lawson leaves a widow and two children.

This is the first accident since the Workmen's Compensation Act came into force. Unless it is shown Lawson's death was caused by his own negligence the company is liable to the extent of \$1,500 to deceased's relatives.

THE MINING TROUBLES.

A Proposal by the Ladysmith Men--The Situation at Cumberland.
(Special to the Times.)
Nanaimo, May 12.—Among the terms of settlement which will be presented to the royal commission when it resumes sittings at Ladysmith will be that the new contract to resume work be made out for a stipulated time, namely, two or more years. If this be accepted by the colliery company, the fact that the miners belonging to the Western Federation will not, or should not, prejudice the owners or create any danger of a strike during the term contracted for.

The steamer City of Nanaimo made a special trip to Cumberland on Sunday, having on board some fifteen or sixteen men who are to replace the strikers of that place. This is the first importation of outside labor. Several of the company's top men have resumed work, entering into a contract for two years at a salary of \$4 a day. The agreement calls for 30 days' notice of its termination. In the Chinese quarters of the city much dissatisfaction and fear prevails. They say they are under compulsion to work or vacate their premises, which are the property of the company.

SUDDEN DEATH.

Man Found Dead in His Room in a Winnipeg Hotel.

(Associated Press.)
Winnipeg, May 12.—Geo. McCann, of Billings Bridge, a few miles out of Ottawa, died suddenly at the Cosmopolitan hotel last evening. After eating a hearty supper he went to his room and fell asleep with all his clothes on. About 10 o'clock James Herring, a companion, whose home is in Ottawa, on going to the room discovered that the man was dead. Sergt. Leach, of the police department, made an investigation and Coroner Benson was notified, but it is unlikely that an inquest will be held. The dead man's relatives have been notified to come in. It is requested that those intending to take part submit their names to the secretary as soon as possible. The regatta programme follows:

The company which will present "A Wise Woman," the latest musical farce at the Victoria theatre in the near future, has a really wonderful array of well known people enlisted for the ranks of the organization. The management do not believe in the too common system of "one or two giving the whole show," but have organized what is undoubtedly one of the strongest farce comedy casts ever brought together.

The Ontario government is to erect a monument to Sir Oliver Mowat, and the legislature is to be asked for a preliminary vote of \$5,000.

LOSS TO THE CITY THROUGH STRIKES

MR. SEABROOK BEFORE COMMISSION TO-DAY

Says Albion Iron Works Was Out One Hundred Thousand Dollars From Labor Troubles.

The Royal labor commission sat again at 11 o'clock this morning.
R. Seabrook, ex-manager of the Albion Iron Works, was the first witness. He said he had lived here for 33 years. For eight years he was manager of the works. At times there were 300 men employed in the works. He had contracted for the repair of the steamer Garonne. At the time there was trouble at Moran's, Seattle. The boiler-makers were then on work on the steamer at Seattle. Before taking the contract he called a meeting of the boiler-makers' union here to see if he could take the contract. He showed the men the correspondence relative to the work. At the time the boiler-makers were not on strike, they agreed to the contract being taken.

Mr. Seabrook then wired to F. Waterhouse, Seattle, stating that he would go over to Seattle and take the contract. On arrival he met Mr. Waterhouse, and was asked to have C. A. Greig, editor of the paper at that time, called to give evidence about the manner in which this information was obtained. Also Mr. Kirby, of Rossland, would be able to give valuable information if the commission intended to go there.

The commissioners said they expected to go to Rossland, and were of opinion that the papers mentioned might be useful.
Geo. Penkith, a member of the Boiler-makers' Union, was the next witness. The union he said was started five years ago last January. Its headquarters are in Kansas, and it extends all over America. There are between fifteen and twenty thousand members belonging to the whole organization. There are about 35 in the local union. Members were not sworn, but simply asked to take an obligation to abide by the terms of the statement. Witness was a trustee of the union. The Boiler-makers and Ironworkers of America was not affiliated with any other union. He was an employee of the Albion Iron Works in 1901. He heard Mr. Seabrook's evidence. It was given fairly. Mr. Seabrook was correct in stating that there was no dispute between the boiler-makers here and the then manager in Victoria. Two days before the Garonne left Seattle a dispute had arisen there of which they had not been informed, and Mr. Seabrook would not have taken the vessel away before consulting them here regarding it. They felt under an obligation to the boiler-makers of Seattle to inquire into the character of their dispute before undertaking the work here. The committee which came from Seattle included two Americans, one British Columbian. One, a man named Ryan, was the president of the union there. The local union communicated with Kansas City by telegram inquiring as to what action they would take. It was a long telegram and explained all the facts. A reply was received that they were to work in conjunction with the Seattle union. So long as Seattle thought the work unfair then they could not go to work on the steamer. If they disobeyed in this they would probably lose their charter and be posted all over America as unfair laborers. A result of this would be that they could not find work unless they rejoined another union and paid a penalty to be imposed according to the discretion of the judge dealt with. Witness believed a union in Canada would be strong enough to protect their interests. At this juncture the commission adjourned until 2.30 p.m.

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The Commission Hunter witness said that 90 per cent. of the employees of the Albion Iron Works were union men. On an average there were from 25 to 30 men in the boiler shop. Witness said he would sooner deal with union men than non-union men providing outside signatures were there. He believed in unionism because under it all shops had to give the same wages, and this better enabled contracts being made.
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Continuing his evidence the witness cited an instance of where a strike had been declared in the works lasting nine months. Work had been contracted for on the City of Yapeka. Agitators came along and the men held him up for an eight-hour day, whereas under the contract he had calculated on a nine-hour day.
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in the advantages of unions providing they were not interfered with.
To Commissioner Rowe, he said that of the \$30,000 to be expended on the Garonne probably \$25,000 would be included for wages.
When he dismissed a man he did not have to consult the union. The men in the works were now working nine hours a day. Boiler-makers were paid \$4.50 a day. Some could be paid more, but none could be paid less. Accordingly the union would not discriminate.

Asked if he would favor compulsory arbitration, witness answered in the affirmative. If two arbitrators disagreed a third might be selected by the Chief Justice.
To Commissioner Rowe, witness said that he thought that strikes were sometimes caused by lack of business in lodge rooms. The distance between employer and employee or lack of personal contact did not, he thought, foment trouble. Local conditions generally caused strikes. Most of the contracts with which he had to deal causing strikes came from the American side, and the men might have reasoned that the work was thus unfair. He was present at several of the meetings which the Seattle committee attended, but they, the visiting delegates, were obdurate. In 1891, because of interference, he lost in contracts two ships from Seattle, one from Tacoma and the other from San Francisco. These contracts represented about \$100,000, of which about \$70,000 represented a loss to the mechanics of this city in wages. The strike at Moran's was still on.

Before calling another witness, Mr. Bodwell said he would like to draw the attention of the commission to the fact that information regarding the Rossland troubles could be obtained out of the Rossland Miner of July 14th, 16th, 17th, 24th and 30th; August 4th, 6th, 8th, 10th, 13th, 16th, 17th, 25th and 28th, and September 1st, 17th and 29th. He asked to have C. A. Greig, editor of the paper at that time, called to give evidence about the manner in which this information was obtained. Also Mr. Kirby, of Rossland, would be able to give valuable information if the commission intended to go there.

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MINISTERS WORE DOWN MR. BROWN

TOOK TO ROWING TO RELIEVE FEELINGS

The Premier Evaded Him, the Attorney-General Told Stories, and They All Jollied Him.

Sir Thomas Shaughnessy will give evidence before the committee inquiring into the Columbia & Western subsidy matter. A message was received from him this forenoon announcing the fact that he would reach here on Monday evening. The message sent to Chairman Clifford by Sir Thomas was as follows:

"Leaving by No. 1 to-morrow (Wednesday) due in Victoria Monday evening." Geo. McL. Brown completed his evidence this forenoon. He continued as yesterday he was reticent in giving out information. A somewhat startling statement was made by Mr. Oliver as having emanated from Mr. Brown respecting supporters of the government wanting something out of the grants which led to the withdrawal of bill 87 in 1902. This was denied by Mr. Brown, and Mr. Oliver also suggested that Mr. Brown was only jollifying him.

Mr. McCaul called attention to the publication in the Colonist of the letters and messages produced by Mr. Brown. He thought it was unfair to his client. Chairman Clifford said the committee decided to give the correspondence to the press.
Continuing the examination of Mr. Brown, Mr. McCaul asked if he had any correspondence at Vancouver. Mr. Brown said he had taken it all to Montreal when he moved there.

With respect to bill 87 of 1902, Mr. Brown did not recollect that he drew up the bill. He probably gave information in connection with it. He thought it went to the Attorney-General's office to be drafted. That was his recollection. This was long after Mr. Wells's letter of April 3rd, in which Mr. Wells contradicted the interpretation of his (Mr. Brown's) construction with regard to getting these two blocks. He believed he wrote another letter to Mr. Wells after that letter of the 3rd of April. He had an impression that he was in Montreal in June or July, 1901. Mr. Taylor, he thought, might have been there about the same time.

He knew of an arrangement by which the Cross & West Coal Company was to get 100,000 tons of coal from any grant made to the B. C. Southern.
Referring to the letter dated July 31st, 1901, which had been produced yesterday, Mr. Helmecken asked him where he got this letter. Mr. Brown said he was not sure of it. It was waiting for him when he got to Vancouver on his Sunday. He had been trying to think where it came from.

He gave his reasons for marking his correspondence to Mr. Wells "personal" in order that it might get direct to the Chief Commissioner's hands.
The dating of the map accompanying the order-in-council of 19th December, 1900, was in his own handwriting.
He had a lot of trouble getting what he wanted from the government. He could not tell how many interviews he had with any members of the government. Whenever he saw them he interviewed them. The ministers later jollied him he thought.

Mr. Helmecken asked if Mr. Brown ever asked Mr. Roberts to assist in getting these crown grants.
Mr. Brown supposed he asked him the same as other members of the government. He got assurances from all the ministers. He said he came over and wore himself out. He lost his temper and the only way he had to settle himself was to row up the Gorge.
He would see Mr. Dunsmuir, and he would put him off. He would speak to Mr. Roberts. He would sometimes shake hands with him, sometimes become friendly and sometimes get a story. That was in 1901. In 1902 about the same programme was repeated.
He had a dim recollection of going to the Deputy Attorney-General about bill 87 of 1902. He had been urging action incessantly. The ministers still continued to jolly him in the session of 1902.
He was afraid of the government passing over the subsidy matter in 1902 as in 1901, and he therefore came over to try and get it done.
He went to Mr. Taylor's office frequently. He went for various reasons. They talked horses and other things. Crown grants might have come up. He remembered Mr. Taylor told him one time to bother the life out of them (the ministers). He never remembered seeing Mr. Roberts in Mr. Taylor's office. Mr. Taylor to the best of his knowledge never came over the bay with him.
He was not aware of what took place at the executive meetings always. Sometimes he did, probably setting it from conversation with the ministers.
Bill 87 was introduced to reinstate the company in its rights, after the order in council was rescinded on 18th March, 1902. The authorities for it was an arrangement with the Turner government originally, and a promise from Mr. Dunsmuir that it would be carried out.
He did not know that blocks 4393 and 4394 would have been selected under this bill. He supposed he would have made a set on 4393. The bill was not as he understood introduced for that purpose. His anxiety was to get a land grant for section 4 of the railway.

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EXAMINATION OF TWO WITNESSES

YESTERDAY'S SITTING OF LABOR COMMISSION

Representatives of Tinsmith Business and Printing Trade Gave Evidence—Adjourned Until To Day.

When the labor commissioners resumed their seats yesterday afternoon a witness was waiting for them. He was William Wilson, of A. & W. Wilson, who enjoys the distinction of being the first to give evidence in the Victoria sitting of the commission. He and T. H. Twigg were the only witnesses examined yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Wilson, on being sworn, testified that he had lived in Victoria since 1864, and had been in the tinsmith business since that time. He had never employed a union man, and he did not intend to do so. He said that he was a member of the tinsmith union, but he did not intend to join it. He said that he was a member of the tinsmith union, but he did not intend to join it. He said that he was a member of the tinsmith union, but he did not intend to join it.

His shop was advertised as a "scab" shop, and he understood this fact was announced in large letters on a blackboard in Labor hall, but it didn't hurt them. He had never protested against it. To the best of his knowledge it had not affected his business. He could not say whether other firms had been posted in the same way. It had been stated in the labor column of the Colonist that their shop was unfair. An unfair shop, he presumed, was one that did not comply with union rules. His principal objection to employing a union man was as soon as a non-union man was employed, he was a scab.

The chairman—"Have you any remedy to suggest as to the ending of strikes?"

Witness—"There's a pretty hard question. The labor market seems to be overdone."

"A surplus of men," interjected Dr. Rowe.

The chairman—"Have you ever considered the question of state intervention between employers and employees in strikes of large dimensions?"

"I think it would be a deathblow to politicians," responded the witness. "I don't think any of them would take the step. People have votes, and votes tell in such things."

The witness pointed out that the employees when they demanded increased wages did not take into consideration the fact that the employers often have to wait for a month or a year before they are paid for their employees' labor. Sometimes they are never paid for it. The wages paid by their shop compared favorably with the union scale, \$2.50, \$3 and \$3.50.

In their shop there were two adult employees, besides members of his and his brother's families. The object of testing their shop as unfair was evidently to force the union joining.

They declined to enter the union when it was organized, about a year ago. His firm was the only one that refused to do so at that time. There were thirteen other similar businesses in the city, but all were members. His place was posted unfair by the journeymen plumbers' union. There was a sort of master plumbers' union in the city, but it was not well organized; it was a kind of a "go-between." The master plumbers' union acceded to the journeymen union's demands as to hours of labor and the wages. There were about twenty members of the journeymen plumbers' union in the city.

Thomas H. Twigg, printer on the Colonist, was the next witness. He stated he was a member of the typographical union, an international organization. The local union had about fifty members. There were no non-union printers in Victoria. The whole organization numbered about 37,000 members. Its headquarters were in Indianapolis. Strikes were declared by secret ballot in the local unions. The executive at headquarters had power under some circumstances to order a strike. It cost, for instance, if the local union entered into an understanding with an employer, contrary to the international regulations. The international executive could suspend their charter. If seven members remained loyal to the international, the charter would remain with them. He had never heard of the central authority suspending a charter for violation of regulations.

The executive's power as to sympathetic strikes could be found in the international constitution. The executive would have the power to order a sympathetic strike in a case where trouble arose with an employer who had establishments in two or more places.

There was an appeal from the executive to the international convention. The typographical union was affiliated with the American Federation of Labor. The A. F. of L. issued federal charters to unions which had no international affiliations. The American Federation of Labor had a convention constituted of all unions affiliated to it. There were about a million and a half members in the organization. The American labor union was a rival body—it interested itself in politics and declared for Socialism. The American Federation of Labor didn't interfere in politics. Personally, he thought the boycott was a legitimate resort. He had a similar opinion of picketing. The object of posting a man unfair was to notify the union men to let him alone. This wasn't necessarily a species of boycott. The effect of posting was to render a man objectionable to the union. The better plan was to post up those who did employ union labor.

Chairman—"I should think so. Don't you think the other method an invidious way of advertising the fact?"

Witness—"It's a matter of business."

Continuing, he said he didn't think an employer should be molested because he employed non-union men, nor a non-union man because he refused to join a union. As to a remedy to stop strikes, it was a pretty big question. Conciliation was the proper remedy.

Chairman—"Suppose the parties don't conciliate. What then?"

Witness—"I believe they could go as far as arbitration without a binding award."

Chairman—"What's the good of that?"

The witness thought public sentiment would bind them. Public sentiment decided with the right. He didn't think compulsory arbitration was possible.

Chairman—"They have it in New Zealand and Australia to-day."

Witness—"The conditions there are different."

Chairman—"What are the objections to compulsory arbitration?"

Witness—"There are several. In the first place an impartial judge might not be secured. Then, again, the judge might be impartial but he might not be able to intelligently appreciate the situation—the requirements and conditions of both sides."

To Dr. Rowe the witness said he did not think the American Federation of Labor took any part in strikes. There was a qualification required for membership in the typographical union. A five years' apprenticeship was required, and if the candidate was not competent then he was not admitted. He believed in compulsory conciliation for the settlement of strikes.

Chairman—"Take the coal strikes, which deeply affect the public. Why should we not take the state step in and say this must stop?"

Witness—"They have just as much right to interfere with a coal combine which raises its prices."

Chairman—"That's a matter the state will have to attend to in time. We are dealing with the matter now."

Continuing, the witness said that strength was derived from affiliation with an international organization. No union in Canada was strong enough in itself to carry a strike to a successful issue. International unions recognized no national limitations. There was no danger of funds contributed by Canadian unions being improperly directed. It cost him 75 cents a month to belong to the local and international unions. It was practically impossible for a non-

union printer to obtain employment. Men were appointed by the foreman of the shop, who was always a union man. If a non-union man was employed as a machinist and a union man was available, union men would have a right to say something.

Chairman—"The non-union man would be looked upon as a leper?"

Witness—"Oh, not that bad."

Continuing, witness admitted that it was understood in the printing business that none but union men need apply.

Chairman—"A man would either have to join the union or get out of the business."

To Dr. Rowe witness said that the union had improved the wages of the men. Not only the union men but the unorganized had benefited, which was of advantage to the public at large.

This concluded Mr. Twigg's evidence, and as there were no other witnesses on hand an adjournment was taken until to-morrow morning (to-day).

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COLONIZATION SCHEME

D. D. Mann Expects Big Influx of Settlers to Lands Acquired by Syndicate.

Winnipeg, May 11.—It is announced here that a Duluth and Minneapolis syndicate, with several Canadians included, have just closed the purchase of almost the entire Canadian Northern railway land grant in the Territories and Manitoba.

D. D. Mann, vice-president of the Canadian Northern railway, when shown the dispatch announcing the sale to the syndicate, said it was substantial. The conditions of sale required a bona fide settlement of these lands, and he expected an enormous influx of settlers within the next few years.

Mr. Mackenzie's Statement

Toronto, May 11.—William Mackenzie, president of the Canadian Northern Railway Company, discussing the sale of the land grants, said:

"It is not so much of a sale as an arrangement to sell, to make sales. It is an aggressive system, for colonization purposes. The idea is to place the lands in the hands of actual settlers, and purchasing have settled on their tracts, and no doubt will be as successful with this. Heretofore we have sold the land ourselves to pioneers, but we have been having the best possible results. I should say that we have about a million and a half acres which will be populated as suggested. The effort will be toward building up the country."

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SEA BATHS AGAIN UNDER DISCUSSION

The Library Competition Plans Submitted and Considered in Detail Last Evening.

The intimation coming from Ald. Vincent that he knew of a man who would probably undertake the building of sea baths, providing that a lease of the property necessary for the purpose could be obtained, was perhaps the most pleasing piece of information which came out at last night's meeting of the city council. The board had a lengthy session, having taken up the competitive plans for the Carnegie library, which were considered serially.

Registrar Drake, of the Supreme court, presented the presentment of the grand jury regarding certain improvements to a number of public buildings. Received and filed.

Herbert Cuthbert notified the board that at a meeting of the Tourist Association the question of the dust nuisance had been discussed, and it was considered that the council should take some action at any early date to deal with this matter. Referred to the streets, bridges and sewers committee, the writer to be informed that the council has the matter under consideration.

Ald. Yates said that it might be well for the association to know that a committee was dealing with the subject, and their eyes were not closed to its importance. They had taken the question up with Manager Goward, and the committee would shortly make their report.

A. R. Milne, C. M. G., wrote stating that there was nothing in the custom regulations whereby he could exempt the bell from China, recently presented to the city, from duty. But he had laid the matter before the department at Ottawa, and he was awaiting a reply. Received and filed. Mr. Milne to be thanked for his trouble.

Drake, Holmsten & Jackson, on behalf of T. D. Worthington, wrote objecting to a \$2 tax for sewer connection on his property, Cormorant street. Referred to the streets, bridges and sewers committee for report.

E. E. Billingshirst again wrote regarding the consolidation of the city loans, and enclosed a copy of a letter bearing on the subject from Capt. Inman, of London.

His Worship said the matter was up before, and the city council saw no advantage in changing the system. But if it does not cost anything to learn what the scheme is it might be well to secure this information.

Referred to the city clerk to formulate a reply looking to the attainment of information giving the character of the scheme.

The Pacific Street Fair & Carnival Company wrote asking for the use of available street on which to give an exhibit.

Ald. Yates asked what the license for a circus was.

His Worship—One hundred dollars a day.

Ald. Yates—"That is not half enough. The charge in Seattle is \$1,000 a day."

Ald. Grahame moved that the letter be received and filed, the writer to be informed that the council cannot comply with the request. The motion carried.

E. Rouche asked for the privilege of taking down the building on Government street which he is now using and removing certain portions elsewhere in the city.

The request was refused.

J. D. Bryant again sent in a communication regarding the changing of the name of a portion of Chatham street to Caledonia avenue. Referred to the committee on the naming of streets.

A. Book notified the council that they had not yet received a reply from the city regarding the breaking of glass in Somers' window. The writer will be informed that the city is not responsible, the reply to be accompanied by the report of the city engineer on the subject. City Clerk Dowler reported as follows:

I have the honor to inform you that since the last meeting of the city council the following communications have been received and referred to the city engineer for report, namely:

Alex. Watson, asking the removal of certain rock on Catherine street, Victoria West.

J. D. Bryant, re sidewalk on the north side of Chatham street, from Quadra street to Cook.

R. P. Rithet, calling attention to the condition of a drain on Humboldt street.

M. Steele et al., complaining of the condition of a drain on Market street.

Received and filed.

The water commissioner also reported as follows:

Mr. Bowassa, to whom was awarded the contract for the supply of water meters, informs me that they were shipped on the 25th ult., and should arrive here in the course of a week or ten days.

As I think it better to meter an entire district at once, I would recommend that they be installed in that part of the city bounded roughly by Cook street, north

Chatham street, Belcher street and Rockland avenue. This will absorb about 325, leaving the balance for such places as may from time to time require them.

Referred to the streets, bridges and sewers committee for report.

The street lighting committee reported recommending that the contract of supplying poles be awarded to F. W. Gardner, his tender being the lowest.

Ald. Stewart asked if the electric light committee had reported yet concerning the light on School street.

Ald. Kinsman said that he had seen the electrician, and he had told him that the pole could not be changed across the street.

The committee on the sea baths reported as follows:

Your committee appointed to confer with the Tourist Association, the location of bathing facilities, beg to report as follows:

We have examined the beach property at the foot of Montreal street, which is recommended by the Tourist Association, and find that at an expense of, say, \$500, a dam with sluice gate could be built across the entrance to the bay, thereby enclosing quite a good sized sheet of water covering a fine sandy beach. The effect of this is expected to raise the temperature of the water inside the dam to a sufficient degree to make bathing comfortable, and should this theory prove correct a very desirable bathing station would result.

Further improvements in the shape of fencing, dressing rooms, caretaker, etc., would be necessary, and could be carried out gradually if the experiment proves to be a success.

Ald. Grahame thought that some effort ought to be made to have them this year. Nearly every other city on the coast had bathing facilities.

Ald. Vincent also thought that the city should do something regarding baths. The baths should soon be self supporting.

Ald. Dinsdale pointed out that the experience of public baths had been tried in the Five Sisters block at a big cost, and had proved a failure. Baths of such a kind would be too much of a luxury.

Ald. Grahame disputed this contention. The baths referred to were in a very small tank compared with those proposed, which would cover about an acre of land.

Ald. Vincent asked if the property could be leased. If so he knew of a man who would probably take hold of the whole scheme.

Ald. Barnard moved that the report be referred back to the committee to see if some scheme cannot be arrived at for carrying out the plan, and if not to make some definite report. He certainly believed it to be the city's interests to do something along the line suggested, even if it cost Victoria \$500.

His Worship favored some one else taking charge of the scheme, and thought that the matter of a lease could be arranged.

The finance committee reported accounts totalling 6,585.85.

A further report from the same committee recommended the payment of \$10,000 out of the Sewers Loan by-law. Carried.

A report from the special committee on the library was next taken up clause by clause, and the council then adjourned.

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Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria
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Victoria, May 12.—5 a.m.—An extensive
low barometer area is slowly spreading
over this province from the Pacific; it will
probably cause general showers west of
the Cascades during the next 24 hours.
The weather at present is fair and warm
across the Dominion from the Pacific to
Manitoba.

Forecasts.

For 24 hours ending 5 p.m., Wednesday:
Victoria and vicinity—Light to moderate
winds, fair and warm today with showers
to-night or on Wednesday.

Lower Mainland—Light to moderate
winds, unsettled and mild with showers
to-night or on Wednesday.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 29.82; temperature
50, minimum 40; wind, calm; weather,
cloudy.

New Westminster—Barometer, 29.80;
temperature 48, minimum 38; wind, calm;
weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.82; temperature
54, minimum 32; wind, 8 miles southeast;
weather, cloudy.

Barkerville—Barometer, 29.80; tempera-
ture 38, minimum 24; wind, calm; weather,
fair.

Edmonton—Barometer, 29.84; tempera-
ture 48, minimum 38; wind 4 miles south-
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MR. BROWN AGAIN GIVES EVIDENCE

HE PROVED HIMSELF
UNWILLING WITNESS

Former Executive Agent Admits Hon.
Mr. Wells Prevented Company
Getting Crown Grants.

Before the commission inquiring into
the Columbia & Western subsidy matter
yesterday afternoon Geo. McEl. Brown
was examined. Considerable difference
was shown by Mr. Brown. He appar-
ently was anxious to reveal very
much in connection with the matter. His
evidence carried with it the impression
that the C. & W. P. R. was satisfied to let
matters rest and not expose the work-
ings of their land subsidy negotiations
to any greater extent.

Being examined by Mr. Duff, Mr.
Brown said that he had to have gone to
Montreal. He had not brought all the
correspondence for 1901 and 1902 with
himself on this matter. He did not think
that this was what the committee had
desired of him.

During the session of the year 1902
he had considerable business with the
government. He also had some cor-
respondence with his principals in Mon-
treal. Most of his correspondence was
written by himself. It was mostly with
his principals. Copies were not kept
usually. Those which he wrote himself
he did not keep copies of. Any copies
which were made were manifest copies.
He never kept letter press copies of let-
ters written in Victoria. All copies in
letter, books and otherwise were sent to
Montreal. He did not send for these as
he did not think they would be required.
He had sent for his report. It had not
yet arrived. He wired for this on the
3rd of May. He intended when he left
after his first examination to go to Mon-
treal personally.

Mr. Duff called attention to the fact
that it was twelve days after his exami-
nation before he sent for these.

Mr. Brown said that was the fact. He
had at the present time important busi-
ness on his hands.

He asked for his report of 1902. He
got the correspondence produced when he
returned to Vancouver on Sunday. Let-
ters dated 31st July, 1901, 2nd August,
1901, and 11th September, 1901, were
received. The report of 1902 was not
yet received.

Mr. Duff pointed out that the message
he sent to Montreal on 3rd May did not
ask for these letters.

Mr. Brown said he had not in that
telegram. He must have asked for
them. He felt sure the report would
come.

Mr. Duff thought it peculiar they sent
letters which were not asked for, and
did not send that request. He called
attention to the fact that three weeks
ago he had expected the same.

Mr. Brown said he was negotiating
for an absolute certainty in the summer
of 1900 for a settlement of the land sub-
sidy of the British Columbia Southern.
He probably made a proposal to some
members of the government by the method
by which that subsidy was to be settled.

On 10th September, 1901, he was
instructed for that settlement he was
to take it with him. He had no recollection
of the circumstances. He did not
know that he applied for crown grants
for blocks 4,503 and 4,504.

He did not, as far as he recollected,
begin negotiations for the transfer of
blocks 4,503 and 4,504 from the British
Columbia Southern to the Columbia &
Western. He did not know when the
negotiations began. They were conducted
orally between himself and the Chief
Commissioner. He did not remember
confering with the members of the
executive on this subject. He could not
remember when he began negotiations in
1903 for a settlement of the Columbia
& Western subsidy matter.

Mr. Duff pressed for a more accurate
statement, recalling that in former evi-
dence it was dated July 31st.

That was "official negotiations," re-
plied Mr. Brown. The negotiations were
legitimate, he said, by the government. It
would be prior to the 31st July.

"Who was the medium of communi-
cation from the government?" asked Mr.
Duff. "No one," replied Mr. Brown.

Finally it was brought out that it
came as a tentative suggestion among
others from the Chief Commissioner. The
letter of 31st July grew out of com-
munications on this matter. It was
doubtless the result of a verbal arrange-
ment with the Chief Commissioner.

He could not recall his suggesting to
Mr. Wells before the latter went up
country that the proposal should come
to the company from the government.

He certainly never made the proposal
that this transfer should come as a sug-
gestion from the government. He did
not make any such suggestion in order



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that the railway company might get rid
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Columbia Southern had to the Crow's
Nest Coal Company. The obligations to
the coal company were not lessened by
this. It would be binding even if the
proposal came from the government.

It being brought to his attention that
Mr. Wells had stated that it had been
suggested that it should come as a pro-
posal from the government, Mr. Brown
said: "Does Mr. Wells really say that?
And would he consent to make it as a
proposal from the government himself?"

But at that juncture Mr. Duff broke
in explaining that Mr. Wells had not
said that it came to prevent the carrying
out of the obligations with the Crow's
Nest Coal Company.

When he got a letter from Mr. Turner
on 2nd August in reply to actions of the
31st July, Mr. Brown said he did not
regard that the matter had assumed a
new aspect.

Being shown the description of the
lands which were handed in to the Chief
Commissioner, Mr. Brown said that
these had been prepared by him in Van-
couver. Memoranda A and B accom-
panying the order-in-council of 10th
August were familiar to him. He fur-
nished the information upon which they
were prepared.

He spoke to members of the govern-
ment whenever he saw them on these
matters. It was well known that to get
anything it required pushing. He be-
lieved that he might have forgotten
about the order-in-council of 10th De-
cember, 1900, when he was urging in
August, 1901, for a settlement.

If he ever did try to get the transfer
from the British Columbia Southern to
the Columbia & Western in order to
avoid an obligation with the Crow's Nest
Coal Co. it had no escaped his mind.

"Would Mr. Wells for his convenience
consent to make the proposal on behalf
of the government?" asked Mr. Brown.
He could not regard any such statement
seriously.

Mr. Duff called attention to the fact
order-in-council of 10th August was not
prepared until 28th August.

Mr. Brown wanted to know who said
so.

Mr. Duff stated that Mr. Gore said
so, and that Mr. Gore had further ex-
plained that the council decided the mat-
ter from his (Mr. Brown's) draft.

That the details in connection with the
"Not my draft," said Mr. Brown.

On the 31st of July he was simply
pressing for a settlement which he
understood had been arrived at with the
government previously.

"Did Mr. Wells make any explana-
tion for his not delivering the crown
grants when he said he was taking them
to Montreal?" asked Mr. Duff. "He did
not," replied Mr. Brown.

He might have known that opinion had
been given as to the power of the gov-
ernment to give these crown grants at
the time. He did not remember saying
anything about it. As far as he recollected no doubt
of the government's power to deliver the
crown grants had been given him.

Mr. Wells told him that he was going
to bring to the attention of Sir Thos.
Shaughnessy something about the build-
ing of a line to Spence's Bridge. He did
not regard it as necessary to the delivery
of the crown grants.

Asked as to the delivery of crown
grants, Mr. Brown did not recollect ex-
actly where they were usually delivered.
It struck him as peculiar that Mr. Wells
should take these grants to Montreal in
his pocket.

"You went with Mr. Wells?" asked
Mr. Duff. "Not with Mr. Wells," re-
turned Mr. Brown.

"Well, Mr. Wells and you went down
at the same time?" asked Mr. Duff. "I
didn't leave this country with him," re-
turned Mr. Brown.

"Where did you meet him? Did you
not think it wise to leave together? It
would not have looked well," added Mr.
Duff.

Mr. Brown laughed, and finally admit-
ted that Mr. Wells and he went together
with the same destination in view, Mon-
treal.

Some time before he left for the East
he paid the fee for the crown grants.
In Montreal he talked with Sir Thos.
Shaughnessy.

His recollection was that Sir Thos.
Shaughnessy said that patents had been
delivered except for two grants, which
Mr. Wells had promised would be de-
livered to him within 30 days. He (Mr.
Brown) approached Mr. Wells several
times, and Mr. Wells said they would
be delivered all right. He approached
every member of the government.
Messrs. Dunsinuir, Eberts, Wells and
Prentice. "I think that was all."

Mr. Helmecken asked: "I thought you
were in it."

Mr. Brown said he did not get a satis-
factory explanation from Mr. Wells. He
finally heard in the lobby that the grants
had been cancelled. He did not expect
this, though he was prepared for nearly
anything. The clamor in the House
prompted his suspicion that something
might take place. Questions were being
asked in the House about it. The political
clamor was the only reason which
he had from Mr. Wells that these should
not be given over. No other reason was
given. Mr. Dunsinuir never told him
about the 8th March that the grants
were to be cancelled because of "crook-
ed" work. Mr. Taylor never told him
about the rumor that the members of the
government were expecting something
out of it. He (witness) told Mr. Taylor
about that. Mr. Dunsinuir did not tell
him that this was the reason for the can-
celling of the grants.

Mr. Duff asked if prior to 18th March
Mr. Eberts and Mr. Brown being to-
gether, Mr. Dunsinuir stated to them
that the two of them were going to share
in the grants, and that, therefore, he
(Dunsinuir) would cancel the grants.

Mr. Brown said that Mr. Dunsinuir
made the statement to them, but did not
give that as the ground for his can-
celling of the grants.

Mr. Wells told him that he need not
worry, that the company would get the
land under the 4th section. He would
do his utmost.

The statement in the letter written
by him on 22nd April to Mr. Wells was
not a "trap." It was intended to con-
vey the impression which Mr. Wells had
conveyed to him.

When he reported to Sir Thos.
Shaughnessy he (Mr. Brown) gave copies
of these letters on account of the rumors
going, and the report of his appearing
before the council in the matter. Before
the council protested against the rescind-
ing order. He gave the rumor which
had been spread, and asked them indi-
vidually if they had been approached or
if any reflection had been cast upon him-
self or upon Sir Thomas. He was as-
sured that there was no reflection cast
upon either himself or Sir Thomas. In
his protest for the cancellation he urged
that the company had earned it.

Mr. Duff asked for Mr. Taylor's story
of what took place in the conversation
between Mr. Taylor and Mr. Wells in
Montreal. Mr. McCall objected, and
Mr. Duff proceeded in another way to
get his information.

He had not raised the story told by
Mr. Wells at the executive. He had
charged Mr. Taylor with secrecy in the
matter.

Asked if he had a promise from Mr.
Dunsinuir that a bill would be introduced
to grant the subsidy for the 4th section,
Mr. Brown said that such a bill had been
prepared in 1901. Being shown the type-
written draft, Mr. Brown said he knew
nothing about it. Mr. Dunsinuir pro-
mised a bill in the following session.

He did not remember the preparation
of bill 87 of last session. He might have
prepared a part of it. He remembered
going to Mr. Wells's office and inquiring
about one bill. It may have been this
one. He might have given the particu-
lars to the Chief Commissioner's office.

Mr. Duff referred to the letter sent
to Mr. Wells asking if the bill was com-
ing in as drafted.

Mr. Brown had no explanation of
that. He presumed he was referring to
the proof of the bill.

He could not remember asking any
legal gentlemen to assist in this bill's
preparation. He had not in view the
settling of these blocks for section 4. He
had no solicitor acting for him in this
matter in Victoria from August, 1901,
and in 1902. Mr. Taylor had not acted
professionally for him. He was with
Mr. Taylor a great deal as personal
friends.

He did not know how the company in-
tended to deal with blocks 4,503 and
4,504. Sir Thos. Shaughnessy never told
him that these lands were going to go to
a land company. He did not know of
Mr. Taylor interesting himself in a land
company. If Mr. Taylor was acting in
that way he was not doing so for him-
self (Mr. Brown) or the company.

He did not recollect that he handed
bill 87 of 1902 to the King's printer. It
was quite possible. He did not remem-
ber it.

Mr. McCall called attention to the
fact that when he appeared before the
committee on April that he had promised
to revive his mind in the matter and get
further documents.

Mr. Brown admitted that he had not
obtained these documents as he had been
occupied with other duties.

He had no power of attorney for the
Columbia & Western. He was a direc-
tor. He believed that Sir Thos. Shaug-
nessy had instructed him to act for the
company.

He had as executive agent a con-
fidential position under Sir Thomas. He

had general charge of departments out-
side of those of operating the line. He
began working in this capacity for the
Columbia & Western and British Colum-
bia Southern in 1897. He kept in touch
with what the government was doing in
these land matters. The president had
been out on several occasions and taken
part in the negotiations.

He was active in having blocks 4,503
and 4,504 granted to the British Colum-
bia Southern in 1900. He did not re-
collect getting a copy of the order-in-
council of 19th December, 1901. He no
doubt received it.

He admitted that it was after a long
struggle that he got this matter settled.
It was a long struggle to get anything
done. If he got a copy of the order-in-
council it would be sent to Sir Thos.
Shaughnessy. He could not account for
the statement that Sir Thomas had not
received it. He had no copies of letters
showing that this had gone forward.

He supposed at the time he knew of
Mr. Wells did not say there was any
two orders-in-council being passed on the
19th December by which the grant to
the British Columbia Southern was re-
scinded and the lands were given to the
Columbia & Western. The government
had no object to serve in transferring
these lands. He might have suggested to
Mr. Wells that the transfer should
take place. Mr. Wells might be correct
in stating such.

Asked if he was not to submit such
a proposal to the railway company for
refusal or acceptance of this transfer,
Mr. Brown said he did not think so. His
conception was that he was authorized
to accept it.

He did not draft the order-in-council
of 10th August, 1901. He did not re-
collect that he prepared the draft which
accompanied the minutes of council. Being
shown the draft Mr. Brown said he
must have helped in the preparation of it.

Mr. Wells did not say there was any
difficulty in connection with the delivery
of the grants for blocks 4,503 and 4,504.
He said he would take them to Montreal
as he wished to ask something from Sir
Thos. Shaughnessy about building to
Spence's Bridge. He (Mr. Brown) went
to Montreal partially on that business.
In Montreal he saw Mr. Taylor. He did
not know that he ever took Mr. Taylor's
advice in matters. He might incidentally
have done so without Mr. Taylor being
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"SCIENTIFIC" STATESMEN.

Opponents of the fiscal policy of the Dominion government are ever on the alert for evidences of inconsistency in the application of the principles professed by the administration. They are exhorting with assumed glee at the discrepancy they claim to have discovered between the declaration of the Premier that the British preference was originally a "free gift" and that no compensating concession was asked for and the later declaration that after the imposition of the tax on corn the government of Great Britain was pressed to exempt Canadian grain from the impost. We submit that there was not the slightest element of inconsistency in the position of the Canadian government. It would have been nothing short of impudence on the part of the representatives of Canada to have suggested to the British Chancellor of the Exchequer that his government should impose duties upon the food of the consumers of Great Britain coming in from foreign sources in order that benefits might be conferred upon the food products of this country. Such a demand would assuredly have created a storm of indignation, and would certainly have had a most pernicious effect upon the generally cordial relationship which had been established by the adoption of the Canadian preference.

But the imposition of the tax on grain by the British government as a revenue raising proposition created an entirely different situation and completely altered the conditions. The tax was naturally unpopular. Just as naturally we may assume that relief in one direction would have been extremely popular. Under the new circumstances the request of Canada for a preference, for exemption of her products from the exactions imposed upon grain imported from foreign sources, could not possibly have created resentment in Great Britain. When the Canadian preference was granted there cannot be the slightest doubt the hope was entertained that ultimately the movement thus inaugurated would spread until the whole of the great empire would be incorporated within the scope of its provisions, or within the scope of some other scheme of which that preference was the basis. The remarks of the Colonial Secretary on more than one occasion were calculated to arouse expectations of the ultimate adoption of some scheme of general preferential treatment. But of late there appears to have been a general waning of enthusiasm, and evidently the preferential idea is still a long distance from realization. The statements of the Mother Country are timid. They fear foreign antagonism. The nations are obviously antagonistic to any scheme which would involve the commercial federation of the Empire. Germany has openly manifested her hostility, and her movement has been countered by Canada after negotiations extending over four or five years. During part of that time the correspondence was carried on through British diplomatic channels. Finally Canada took up the question on her own account, and a satisfactory solution not being arrived at, she took the course which seemed advisable.

The business and manufacturing interests of the United States do not like the preferential policy either. But they take a more reasonable position on the matter than their German competitors. The newspapers of the republic, of course, take pleasure in pointing out that American trade with Canada is maintaining a fair ratio despite the advantages which have been given British industries. But Americans realize that it takes some time to set the current of trade in a given direction and that once it is set it rapidly increases in volume. They are evidently somewhat anxious about the future or they would scarcely be so unanimous in demanding that their politicians shall make an effort to secure more liberal relations. Now the question intrudes itself: If the Canadian preference is of no benefit to Great Britain, why are the Germans and the Americans opposed to it? Are they merely alarmed

at the idea of the extension of the preferential principle, or are they already laboring under disadvantages which seriously handicap them in the competition for Canadian trade? One thing is quite apparent: They are anxious to obtain entrance to Canadian markets upon the same terms as Great Britain. That ought to settle the question as to the value of the preference.

What has the Conservative position been from the first upon the question? That of unalterable opposition. The leader of the party has positively and dogmatically declared himself. He is a firm believer in the "principles" of protection, principles which in his opinion should be applied against all and sundry, even against the members of our own national household. Mr. Borden, we suppose, still believes in selling as much as possible to the British people. He would supply them with all the food they can consume, and he would ask them to exclude all the products of the soil now gathered from other countries in order that prices should be enhanced and that we should obtain more for what we have to sell, but he would buy nothing at all from the mills and manufacturing of Great Britain in return. Not at all. "A factory in Canada is of more value to us than a factory in Yorkshire."

We should apply the "principles" of protection scientifically. The Conservative party is advancing. There was a time when a duty in the neighborhood of 30 per cent. was considered "adequate" protection. Now we must hoist the duties up to 50 per cent., or as high as is necessary to exclude the manufactures of all countries, even the manufactures of Great Britain. Already that obnoxious free trade country buys three times as much from us as we take from her. When we were driven from the markets of the United States we turned to her and have prospered beyond measure because of her patronage. In return, according to the scientific political principles of the great Conservative party, we should join with countries such as the United States, Germany and France in striking her at her most vulnerable point; we should do all in our power to put her out of business as a manufacturing nation.

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Vancouver World: "Hon. D. M. Eberts was able to spare half an hour yesterday from the strenuous life of his department to attend the session of the Columbia & Western investigation committee, this being his first appearance in the capacity of a spectator. It speaks volumes in praise of Hon. Mr. Eberts' strict devotion to duty that while all the other ministers have been constantly in attendance, he has been hitherto unable to break away from engrossing official cares."

Geo. McL. Brown's testimony: "After Mr. Wells' return to Victoria, he (Mr. Brown) had continued pressing for delivery of the grants to Montreal. He had pressed Mr. Dunsmuir and Eberts as well. The grants were held nevertheless, and there was no doubt now that the person who had prevented the delivery of these grants was Mr. Wells. There was no question whatever but that he had stood between the province and the railway company in the completion of this transaction."

SCIENCE AND RELIGION.

Lord Kelvin, the distinguished scientist, probably the most distinguished living, at a meeting in London recently, made a declaration of profound interest to a world that is generally believed to be tossing about helplessly on the billows of unbelief. His Lordship has probably probed deeper into the mysteries of the physical universe than any scientist that has preceded him. He has profited by the knowledge handed down in printed pages by his predecessors and has carried the work on into fuller and richer

regions. Therefore profound interest has been aroused by his declaration. The great scientist has made a statement which places him in the ranks of the vitalists, who are supposed to be fundamentally opposed to the theories of the mere physicists, or believers in what may be called the spontaneous generation of all forms of life. A dispatch says Lord Kelvin, in moving a vote of thanks to a lecturer who had been instructing the Christian Association of one of the colleges in Great Britain, denounced the professor's assertion that, with regard to the origin of life, science neither affirmed nor denied the creative power. On the contrary, he said, science positively affirmed the creative power. Science made everyone feel that he was a miracle in himself. Modern biologists were once more coming to the firm acceptance of a vital principle. They had been absolutely forced by science to admit and believe in a directive power. "Was there," he asked, "anything so absurd as to believe that a number of atoms falling together of their own accord could make a crystal of sugar or the microbe of a living animal? Nobody could think that anything like that, even in millions and millions of years could, unaided, give us a beautiful world like ours. Let nobody be afraid of the true freedom of thought. Let us be free in thought and criticism, but with freedom we are bound to come to the conclusion that science is not antagonistic, but is a help to religion."

A LIVE INSTITUTION.

The Victoria branch of the Provincial Mining Association, organized a couple of weeks ago, is already showing signs of sturdy life and vigor. The executive committee has held several meetings at which steps were taken to place the branch on a solid and permanent footing and, in order to enlist the sympathy and support of the people of Victoria, a public meeting has been called for to-morrow evening, at which the aims and objects of the association will be fully set forth by Mr. John Keen, the provincial president. The provincial association is composed of representatives elected from the branches, and stands in the same relation to them as a grand lodge of a fraternal society does to its subordinate lodges. It is, therefore, of vital importance to the success of a movement which promises the accomplishment of so much good to the mining industry and the general prosperity of the province that the branches should be numerically strong and representative of the best classes of the community.

Victoria, as the headquarters of the provincial association, owes it to herself to maintain her position in the forefront of the movement, and should show a membership second to none in the province. Her future prosperity depends to a large extent on the successful development of the splendid mineral resources of Vancouver Island, and it should be the united endeavor of her citizens to give the association every possible assistance and support. The administration of the Victoria branch is in good hands. They only require the co-operation of their fellow citizens to make it the strongest and most influential in the province, and we confidently bespeak a large and enthusiastic attendance at to-morrow night's meeting.

Mr. Geo. McL. Brown, in his exasperation because of his inability to accomplish that which he considered his duty as executive agent of the C. P. R., "wore himself out" and then recuperated by securing a boat and "rowing himself out" in a pitched battle with the boiling waters of the Gorge. Mr. Brown did not say whether he also cooled his superheated brow in the soothing waters. However, he said enough to prove that the post of executive agent of the C. P. R., with supervision of the government of British Columbia and all departments of the road save that of operation, is not such a sinecure as it appeared to people of envious disposition.

Mr. Brown confesses that he "wore himself out." Prefix the letter "s" to the word "wore" and it might accurately cover the case of some of the witnesses. But we sincerely hope no one will "swear himself in" before this investigation is over. There are discrepancies in the evidence that cannot be accounted for except under a supposition that the nature of an oath is but dimly comprehended.

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City News in Brief.

—Fast steamers for Skagway. Delphin sails May 18th, 19th and 29th; Humboldt sails May 13th and 23rd. E. E. Blackwood, agent.

—Cheap excursion rates to Seattle, May 22nd and 23rd, account President Roosevelt's visit. Tickets good in both directions on steamers Majestic and Rosalie.

—On May 12th and 17th the Northern Pacific Railway Company will sell tickets to Los Angeles, Cal., at reduced rates. For full particulars call at their office, corner Government and Yates streets.

—The Stuart Robertson Company, Ltd., were advised by wire from England yesterday that the stock of the Tyne Mining Company, of Mount Sicker, had risen from £1 10s. to £2 1s. This is an advance of 11s. within a week.

—Miss Mary Tully, formerly of the High school, has passed her first year's sessional examination at faculty at the Royal Victoria College, McGill University. James Campbell Brady, also formerly of the High school, has passed first year applied science.

—There will be a meeting of No. 2 Co., Fifth Regiment, in the drill hall this evening at 8 o'clock, which every member is requested to attend. Uniform is not necessary. Among other things, arrangements will be made for the offering of prizes in the company for rifle shooting, and the forthcoming annual camp will be discussed.

—The many friends of Willie Roy Fraser, son of the late W. G. Fraser, formerly of Second street, will regret to learn of his death, which occurred at Trail, B. C., on May 10th, after two months' of patient suffering. He was 15 years of age, and a native of Victoria, where he lived until a year and a half ago, when the family moved to Trail. The funeral was largely attended and the many floral offerings testified to the popularity of the deceased.

—A letter from W. B. Ransom, a one time resident of Victoria, was received by W. J. McKee, of the Oriental hotel, recently. It was written in a tent on the banks of the Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, and tells of the English colonists who were en route to the Vermilion district, some 250 miles west of Saskatoon. At the time of writing Mr. Ransom said that there were some 2,000 of these colonists camped on the prairie on one side of the railway at the above mentioned place. These people are being taken to the land of milk and honey by Rev. Mr. Barr, who has had some narrow escapes from bodily harm from the colonists, so says the writer.

—The names of the successful candidates at the semi-annual examination of the Provincial Medical Society were given out for publication last night. Following is a list of those who have been duly registered on the rolls of the society: Charles N. Colborn, who will practice in Vancouver; George G. Philp, who intends practicing in Revelstoke; J. Harold Jones, who will be on the staff of the Royal Columbian hospital at New Westminster; Harvey A. Christie, who is going to Van Anda; Lewis J. O'Brien, who goes to Nanaimo; John S. Burns, who goes temporarily to Kamloops; Edward W. Connolly, who is going to Chemainus for the present, but will probably locate in Lillooet; Walter Graham, who is going to Revelstoke; and Nathaniel Allan, who will probably practice his profession in Chilliwack.

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—To-morrow evening at 8 o'clock a meeting of the board of school trustees will be held at the city hall. Important business will come up for consideration.

Saturday will be the last day for Corcoran Photos at the reduced price, \$4.00, at the Skene Lowe Studio. Do not miss it.

—The case against Robert Gilbert, charged with stealing 194 pounds of bacon, valued at \$3.00, from the schooner Enterprise, has been remanded until to-morrow morning.

—A meeting is being held this afternoon of the recently elected managers of the B. C. Protestant Orphans' Home at the city hall for the purpose of selecting officers and a ladies' committee for the ensuing year.

—There will be no business meeting of the chamber of commerce this evening. Instead the members and their friends will hold a "free and easy" sociable at the Victoria hotel, with Finn's orchestra in attendance. A good time is anticipated.

—At the A. O. U. W. hall this evening a meeting of Victoria's Hive of the Ladies of Macleod will be held. The programme is in charge of Mrs. A. B. McNeill and Mrs. Rathbone, and all attending are promised ample entertainment.

—Last evening at the Sir William Wallace hall a general meeting of the Knights of the Golden Horseshoe was held, there being a good attendance. Among other business fourteen new members were initiated and twenty applications were considered.

—On Friday evening next the regular monthly meeting of the board of trade will be held. Business of vital importance will be transacted. It was the intention of the board to hold a meeting to-day, but owing to the illness of President McQuade the meeting was postponed.

—At a special meeting held by the Master Blacksmiths at J. Hay's hall last night a vote was taken as to whether or not they would recognize the demands of the union for higher wages. There was a majority of five votes for a settlement in favor of the union so that the strike that has been on for the past six weeks is declared off, and the Blacksmiths' Union has gained the day. Instead of the horsehoes and firemen getting \$17 for sixty hours' work they will now receive \$18 for fifty-one hours, and the firemen will receive \$15 for fifty-one hours instead of \$15 for sixty hours' work as previously given.

—The Edison theatre played to several large audiences last evening. The bill, which contains a number of short attractions, is a decided hit. The three Millards in their comedy sketch are beyond criticism. The little five-year-old child sings several sweet songs to well-pleased audiences. Prof. Fox, direct from the Keith circuit, certainly is the best bird and animal imitator Victoria theatre-goers have seen. Harry R. Harrison sings that beautiful illustrated song "Down on the Farm," and keeps the spectators spell-bound. The large list of funny moving pictures creates a great deal of hearty laughter. If one wants a good laugh do not miss this change. The Millards are here for one week only.

—Robert Gilbert was this morning convicted and sentenced to six months' hard labor for stealing two sides of bacon valued at about \$3.25, from the hold of the schooner Enterprise. It was learned by the evidence of Mr. Clark, owner of the schooner, that since the vessel entered the harbor that one other robbery had been committed. An attempt to rob Gilbert had also been made. It is said that on May 5th the cabins had been broken into and a valuable telescope, the lens from the marine glass, a quantity of provisions, some knives and pipes, etc., the value being in the neighborhood of about \$200. It is alleged that on Thursday, May 7th, a number of the boys who escaped from the reformatory last week had attempted to break into the vessel and commit robbery. Chief Langley asked the prisoner if he had ever before been in prison. Gilbert stated that about nine years ago he had served one month in Vancouver for assault. The chief asked him if he had not served six months for stealing in Vancouver in 1900? "No," the prisoner answered, "I cannot recollect that I did serve such a term as you speak of." The chief then produced a photograph of the prisoner with a record of his conviction. The chief asked him to deny it. It appears that he is an old offender, and for this reason he was dealt with severely by the magistrate.

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—R. M. S. Empress of India was reported from Carmanah in-bound from the Orient this morning.

—Those who wish to enjoy a drive by the Victoria Transfer Company's new trolley are requested to leave their names at the Victoria Tourist rooms, it being the intention to make up parties of from ten to fifteen from time to time. The trolley will not make regular daily runs until about June 1st, and the arrangements mentioned have been made for the convenience of those wishing an outing before then.

—In order not to conflict with the representations made to the Dominion government regarding the silver-lead industry by Messrs. Retallack and Pratt, who went to Ottawa as delegates from the mine owners, the executive of the Provincial Mining Association has wired to the Capital urging upon the finance minister their favorable consideration of the request made by the gentlemen mentioned. They are seeking a straight bonus of \$15 per ton, payable to the lead producers.

—Yesterday Mr. McChandless, acting president of the Jubilee hospital, R. S. Day, and Joshua Davies, accompanied by City Engineer C. H. Topp and the city medical officer, visited the isolation hospital and thoroughly inspected the buildings and grounds preparatory to reporting on the question of transferring the control of the institution from the city to the Jubilee hospital. The building inspector has presented a report on the alterations required. It is quite likely the committee will report that no new buildings are necessary.

—Preparations for the convention of the Methodist conference which will be opened in the Metropolitan Methodist church on Thursday afternoon are progressing apace. The billeting committee have billeted one hundred, and twenty delegates, and all the visitors will be provided with accommodation upon their arrival. Arrangements for musical part of the programme are in the hands of Gladys Hicks, who is rehearsing a massed choir in a number of choruses from oratorios and other large works. These will form a feature of the evening meetings. The stationery committee will meet to-morrow morning.

—The statement of the receipts and expenditures of the ball given by Mrs. Simpson in aid of the Protestant Orphans' home is as follows: Receipts, \$304; expenses, \$234; balance to the home, \$70. The following business firms are thanked by Mrs. Simpson for various contributions: J. H. Todd & Son, Wilson Bros., Geo. E. Munro & Co., Hudson Bay Co., F. R. Stewart & Co., F. Paul & Co., Ltd., Saunders' Grocery Co., Turner, Beeton & Co., Pither & Leiser, Ideal Provision Store, C. Morley; also the ladies who kindly sent donations, Messrs. Weiler Bros., the Westside, Geo. Carter and Brock & O'Leary for the arrangement of cosy corners, and to Mr. and Mrs. Russell, Jubilee Greenhouse, for flowers.

—The hearing of the charge of assault against Frederick P. McLennan, of Cadboro Bay road, was continued in the provincial police court yesterday afternoon. Besides the complainant, Frank J. Bishop, five witnesses were heard. According to the evidence of the prosecution, on May 2nd, while Bishop was on his way home he was thrashed severely with a club and the complainant's whip, so much so that he sustained many bruises on his body, head and arms. It seems that Bishop had been instructed by Edward Beaumont to drive any car out of the Beaumont property. It so happened that on May 2nd there were nine or ten cows belonging to the accused in this property, and the complainant drove them out. Mr. Ernest Hall testified to having examined the complainant and described the injuries received. The evidence of the other four witnesses corroborated the story as given above. These witnesses were: Lorenzo McKay, who works for the complainant; Edward Beaumont, W. G. Quick and George Eatin'. The case was adjourned until 10.30 o'clock on Friday morning, when the evidence for the defence will be heard.

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QUEEN IS REPAIRING.

An effort is being made, it is said, to have the Queen in readiness to take her next scheduled trip on the San Francisco route. She is being repaired at the Moran shipyard, Seattle, and it is thought will be in a condition to sail on the 19th. The previous trip to be made by the City of Puebla, sailing on the 14th, will mark the first of the cheap excursions to be provided by the Pacific Coast Steamship Company. The rate applying, as heretofore stated, will be \$25 for the round trip from Victoria, including meals, berths, etc., \$40 to Los Angeles, and a proportionate sum to other places on the southern coast.

READY BY JUNE.

A special to the Toronto Mail and Empire from Montreal says: "Arthur Piers, general superintendent of steamships for the Canadian Pacific, has returned from England, having completed the organization of the English shipping headquarters of the company. Mr. Piers has been in England about three months, the greater part of the time in Liverpool. Having completed the organization on the other side of the Atlantic, Mr. Piers will take it up on this side. The whole of the fleet embraced in the Elder-Deerpeter purchase will be in commission by next month, and the Liverpool, Bristol and London services will be in full swing. Concerning the Pacific line of steamships, Mr. Piers says the company cannot put off much longer the construction of one new steamer for the service between Vancouver and Japan and China. No order, however, had yet been placed."

PASSENGERS FOR NORTH.

The Princess Mary leaves this evening en route to Skagway. She will carry among her passengers O. E. Brenner and wife, Mr. Hamfield, James Adair, A. J. Pike, E. J. Buxton, Mr. Ritchie, Mrs. Haney, Mrs. Scharsmidt, James Lipscomb, James Hyland and N. S. Clark. Mr. Lipscomb, during the winter months has acted as local agent for the White Pass & Yukon Railway Company, and has been transferred to Atlin. John Hyland is returning to his home at Telegraph Creek, and Mr. Adair is a Dawson mining man who has lately returned from Montreal.

OTTER RETURNS.

Steamer Otter returned this morning from Quinsino, where she had taken Mr. Bellinger and party. As cargo on her return trip she brought 15,000 feet of lumber and 200 tons of ore from the Vreka mine at Quinsino, which was loaded at Crofton. The Otter will now proceed to the Sound for a load of coal for the C. P. N. Company.

Twenty-four and a half tons of copper, equal to £10,000, have been collected during the year from penny in the slot gas meters at Huddersfield, England.



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—The case against Piccello Enrico, charged with aggravated assault on one Chas. Belican, was resumed in the police court this morning. The evidence of Arthur Mortimer, for the defence, was heard. He swore to having heard the disturbance, and went out to see what was the matter and to having telephoned for the police. The accused's story to date shows that the men had been drinking, and that the quarrel was about the refusal of Enrico of joining two unions. He swore that the complainant had started the fight by striking him first. He also said that he challenged Belican to go outside and have a "square fight in English fashion." The case was adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

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At \$7.50 LADIES' PAWN JACKET, with dainty flared silk collar (white with black spots) lined with Navy Blue Silk. Regular value \$14.50 each. SALE PRICE.....\$7.50	At \$8.00 LADIES' HANDSOME CAPET BLUE CLOTH JACKET, handsomely stitched and lined with Fancy Satin. Regular value \$16.00 each. SALE PRICE.....\$8.00

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REMNANTS OF TABLE LINENS.
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**MR. BROWN AGAIN
GIVES EVIDENCE**

(Continued from page 5.)

He remembered seeing Mr. Wells in Hamilton after being in Montreal. Mr. Wells certainly never referred to Mr. Taylor describing the grants as ridiculous. After his return he was pressing for the delivery of these grants. He spoke to different members of the government about it.

There was no question but that Mr. Wells was the one who had been in Hamilton. Mr. Brown said that Mr. Wells had told him that he had been in Hamilton. Mr. Brown said that he had been in Hamilton. Mr. Brown said that he had been in Hamilton.

He did hear that the question of the legitimacy of giving the land had been discussed. He presumed that in granting the blocks the government was acting on the advice of the Attorney-General.

Recalling from Mr. Brown's former evidence Mr. McCall brought forth the confirmation of the stand that the company considered that delivery had taken place to the company of the grants, and that no reinstatement of the company with respect to this had taken place. Referring further to the letter of August 22nd he pointed out that delivery was stated not to have taken place.

Mr. Brown explained that in the letter he had referred to "manual" delivery this accounting for the discrepancy.

Before adjournment Mr. Duff asked that the proceeding with which the name of Mr. McPhillips was connected might be cleared up. Mr. Brown explained that in the early part of September, before September 10th, 1900, when the first order-in-council was passed, that Mr. McPhillips had gone with him to the executive. The lands were not given over. The decision of the executive was against the company's application. Mr. McPhillips was not in any way mixed up in any of the subsequent transactions.

The commission adjourned until this morning, when Mr. McCall will proceed with the cross-examination of Mr. Brown.

Correspondence.

The correspondence produced by G. McCall, Brown before the commission yesterday included the following:

MR. CLIFFORD TO MR. BROWN.
Victoria, April 21st, 1903.
Geo. McCall, Brown, Esq., Victoria, B.C.
Dear Sir:—I am directed by the commission appointed to inquire into the affairs of the Columbia & Western Company to request that you will appear before the commission to give evidence on Wednesday, the 12th inst., at 10 a.m.

(Sd.) CHAS. W. D. CLIFFORD, Chairman.

SIR T. SHAUGHNESSY TO MR. BROWN.
Montreal, April 24th, 1903.
Geo. McCall, Brown, No. 2, North Bend:
When Hon. Mr. Wells was here about November 20th, 1901, he told me he had with him a number of patents covering the balance of the B. C. Southern grant, and portions of the Columbia & Western lands, including patents for blocks 4306 and 4304. These two patents covered lands in the East Kootenay that we were to receive in satisfaction of the land grant earned by the construction of certain sections of the Columbia & Western. The acreage in these blocks was very much less than the acreage to which the company was entitled under the act relating to the construction of the railway, but as the grant could not be satisfied from public lands adjacent to the railway, it was decided to accept the lesser acreage in occupation of the locality. Wells asked me to release him to retain the patents of blocks 4306 and 4304 for a few days for special reasons, promising, however, that he would surrender the patents within a month in any event. As it appeared to be a mere matter of his personal convenience, and as the issue of the patents seemed to have completed the transaction, I acceded to his request. It is my recollection that he showed me an envelope containing the patents, but I am quite sure that they were not in my possession at any time.

(Sd.) THOS. G. SHAUGHNESSY.

MR. BROWN TO SIR THOMAS.
Vancouver, B. C., May 3rd, 1903.
Sir Thos. G. Shaughnessy, Montreal:
(Personal.)
Dear Sir:—Before committee yesterday stated Wells had told him on return from Montreal that when Taylor had approached him offering him one-twentieth of 620,000 acres, Wells recalled, confirmed this. Under circumstances am inclined to remain here for present and see things through. Please send me a copy of my report to you some time in March, 1902, of my interview with government on this point and copies letters passing between Wells and me protesting against recording order. Wells returned to produce those letters when asked, submitting only his letters March 21st.

(Sd.) GEO. McCall, BROWN.

SIR THOMAS TO MR. BROWN.
Montreal, May 4th, 1903.
Geo. McCall, Brown, Esq., Victoria:
Am quite positive that Mr. Wells had no conversation with you on the subject of the company's application for the grants, and that he was not in any way mixed up in any of the subsequent transactions.

language so guarded as to escape my attention. He asked permission to retain possession of these patents for a few days, but not exceeding a month, for reasons that I considered personal to myself, and I replied that having no desire to cause him inconvenience, I would accede to his request.

(Sd.) THOS. G. SHAUGHNESSY.

MR. BROWN TO SIR THOMAS.
Vancouver, May 4th, 1903.
Sir Thos. G. Shaughnessy, Montreal:
In Colonel report Wells's evidence, Wells reported to have stated that when last in Montreal you and he had some conversation concerning a company to be formed to take over these lands, that shares would be distributed. Think this incorrect report, as no other paper contains it.

(Sd.) GEO. McCall, BROWN.

SIR THOS. G. SHAUGHNESSY TO MR. BROWN.
Montreal, May 4th, 1903.
(Personal.)
Supplementing my cypher of yesterday's Colonel report Wells's evidence, as follows:—"In reply to Mr. Green, Mr. Wells said that when last in Montreal he and Mr. Shaughnessy had some conversations and arrangements were made to the company and take shares in the new company." This should be given emphatic denial for today's Victoria papers if possible.

(Sd.) GEO. McCall, BROWN.

SIR THOMAS TO MR. BROWN.
Montreal, May 4th, 1903.
Geo. McCall, Brown, Vancouver:
No such proposition was ever made to me by anybody. Wells may have had conversation with Taylor, to which he referred, but if so he never intimated as much to me or I would have told him that no such thing was contemplated, or would be possible, because we had our own plans for the utilization of that land. Am sending you letters and report to which you refer.

(Sd.) THOS. G. SHAUGHNESSY.

MR. BROWN TO SIR THOMAS.
Vancouver, May 5th, 1903.
Sir Thos. Shaughnessy, Montreal:
Your open telegram the other way on Mr. Wells, in his evidence, said that you had spoken to him about some company for the exploitation of these lands.

(Sd.) GEO. McCall, BROWN.

HON. COL. PRIOR TO MR. BROWN.
Geo. McCall, Brown, Vancouver:
Chairman of committee is answering your telegram re Wells's evidence.

(Sd.) E. G. PRIOR.

SIR THOMAS TO MR. BROWN.
Ottawa, Ont., May 6th, 1903.
Geo. McCall, Brown, Victoria:
Have wired Wells as follows: "I think it proper to ask you to state in your evidence the correct grounds upon which you asked permission to retain the patents for a period not exceeding thirty days, when I replied, having no desire to embarrass you or your government, I would accede to your request. Neither then nor at any other time did I say a word that could give you the impression that these lands were to be conveyed to any person, persons or company, for the purposes mentioned in your alleged conversation with Taylor, which I have now heard of for the first time. No such scheme was ever contemplated, nor did I or the company have any intimation from any source that there was any transaction connected with these grants other than the performance in part by the province of British Columbia, of a statutory undertaking to deliver the land subsidy honestly earned for the Columbia & Western Railway Company. At present prefer not to state reasons why delivery of patents was withheld. Think that letter left to be stated by him."

(Sd.) T. G. SHAUGHNESSY.

SIR THOS. G. SHAUGHNESSY TO MR. BROWN.
Montreal, May 6th, 1903.
I showed your telegram May 6th, to Col. Prior, and he said: "Oh, hold on; he has heard of this company, because I mentioned the rumor to him myself." You will recollect that I also mentioned in my report of March, 1902, in connection with which I went before the cabinet.

(Sd.) GEO. McCall, BROWN.

SIR THOMAS TO MR. BROWN.
Montreal, May 6th, 1903.
Mr. Wells, through his counsel, referred to the receipt of your telegram 6th, of which you sent me copy from Ottawa, but stated that he would not refer to it in any way to the committee until he received reply from you as to certain matters which he could not understand in your telegram.

(Sd.) GEO. McCall, BROWN.

SIR THOS. G. SHAUGHNESSY TO MR. BROWN.
Montreal, May 6th, 1903.
Although Mr. Wells did not withdraw statements made in reply to questions by Mr. Green about which I wired you and which the chairman of the committee wired you last night, he made statement completely exonerating the C.P.R. and yourself. Copy of this statement I am sending you by wire. The chairman of the committee expects an answer from you to his telegram.

(Sd.) GEO. McCall, BROWN.

MR. BROWN TO SIR THOMAS.
Victoria, May 6th, 1903.
Sir Thos. G. Shaughnessy, Montreal:
Chairman advised me he had wired you

verbally Wells's statement or retraction today. I have therefore not sent you copy.

(Sd.) GEO. McCall, BROWN.

MR. BROWN TO SIR THOMAS.

Victoria, May 7th, 1903.

Sir Thos. G. Shaughnessy, Montreal:
I telegraphed to chairman your wire to me of 5th instant, commencing "Press dispatches all over continent contain garbled accounts," etc. chairman wired you on 5th instant, "Do not know what newspaper reports are," etc. repeating Wells's statement to Green you had told him of some company. I have told him that you denied in toto any such conversation. I think he expects this from you direct. Have asked telegraph office to repeat chairman's wire.

(Sd.) GEO. McCall, BROWN.

Victoria, May 7th, 1903.

Sir Thos. G. Shaughnessy, Montreal:
Your telegram to Mr. Wells not admitted in evidence as yet. In cross-examination today he repeated his former statement, that when in Montreal in October, 1901, you told him that a company was to be formed to take over these lands, the railway company, furnished him with shares, and accepting shares. Asked by Mr. Duff who was to furnish anything else, Wells replied that nothing further was discussed.

(Sd.) GEO. McCall, BROWN.

SIR THOMAS TO MR. BROWN.

Montreal, May 7th, 1903.

G. McCall, Brown, Victoria:
Yes, have wired the Hon. Mr. Wells this morning as follows: "The ground and the only ground on which you based your request to be permitted to retain the patents in your possession was that there was some vacancies in your cabinet which you expected would be filled in the course of a few days, and for some reason which I did not attempt to fathom, you appeared to think it desirable that these patents should be in your hands in the meantime. You said, however, that whether were filled or not, the patents would be delivered to me within a month."

(Sd.) T. G. SHAUGHNESSY.

Montreal, May 7th, 1903.

G. McCall, Brown, Victoria:
Yes, I quite recollect that some such matter was mentioned to you by you or Col. Prior or both, but evidently I considered it floating gossip of no interest to me, and I did not change my memory with H. Wells's testimony gave it a phase that was entirely new to me.

(Sd.) T. G. SHAUGHNESSY.

MR. DAVIS TO MR. BROWN.

Vancouver, B. C., May 8th, 1903.

G. McCall, Brown, Victoria:
Rossland case settled; can come to Victoria. If you want me please wire.

(Sd.) E. P. DAVIS.

MR. BROWN TO MR. DAVIS.

Victoria, May 8th, 1903.

E. P. Davis, Vancouver:
Am coming Vancouver Saturday. Would like you to be here Monday. The copy of evidence Marshall asked for was to be sent to your firm or to me?

(Sd.) GEO. McCall, BROWN.

MR. DAVIS TO MR. BROWN.

Vancouver, May 9th, 1903.

G. McCall, Brown, Victoria:
Telegram received. Will arrange return with you Sunday. Get evidence from Stenographer Gilbert, so may discuss it on boat.

(Sd.) E. P. DAVIS.

MR. CLIFFORD TO MR. BROWN.

Victoria, May 9th, 1903.

G. McCall, Brown, Vancouver:
Committee request production by you on Monday, 11th inst., at 2:30 p.m., of all correspondence between yourself and other C.P.R. officials or officers, or letter press copies of same in your or their custody, power of control in British Columbia relating to it, subject now under investigation by the committee.

(Sd.) C. W. D. CLIFFORD, Chairman.

SIR THOMAS TO MR. BROWN.

Montreal, May 10th, 1903.

G. McCall, Brown, Victoria:
Following is my telegram of 7th to chairman: "Probably you intended that I should telegraph you direct in reply to your message of the 5th, giving me a verbatim report of the Hon. Mr. Wells's answer to Mr. Green as to an alleged conversation with me about the surrender of the Columbia & Western lands to some land company in which we were to take shares. I wish to say most positively, and emphatically that I never said to Mr. Wells or to anybody else a word about the lands or such conversation. No such scheme was proposed or suggested to me. From the time that patents were issued up to the present moment, there was never a promise direct or implied on behalf of myself, the Columbia & Western Railway Company, or the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, that these lands or any portion of them, should be transferred to any person, persons or company, nor was I ever approached by anybody with a view to making such a promise or giving any other consideration of any nature or description in connection with the transaction. I viewed it as an ordinary business affair, by which the province of British Columbia was redeeming its statutory obligation to give to the Columbia & Western Railway Company of their land grant and had been earned by the construction of the line, the company accepting a somewhat lesser acreage than that to which it was properly entitled because the lesser acreage in the East Kootenay district would probably be quite as valuable as the larger area in the territory described by the statute, and because, too, as I understood it, of the duty about finding the requisite acreage in the last mentioned territory. I cannot understand what possible basis there could be for Mr. Wells's statement to your committee unless it be that in conversation with him I referred to our townsite contract with the Crow's Nest Coal Co., by which they would have been entitled to select 10,000 acres of coal and oil land in

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SIR THOMAS TO MR. CLIFFORD.

Montreal, May 11th, 1903.

C. W. D. Clifford, M.P.P., Chairman, Victoria:
On evening of May 7th I telegraphed you stating that I would appear before your committee, and asking latest date at which it would be convenient for committee to take my evidence. On the morning of May 8th, I received your reply as follows: "Come as quickly as possible. Will hold report till Tuesday, 14th. Doing this on my own responsibility. Will say before committee to-morrow." I telegraphed you: "Your telegram of last night just received. It is quite impossible for me to reach Victoria on or before 14th inst. I still hope that time will be extended so that your committee may have my evidence before making report. If this cannot be done, will send statutory declaration by first mail, if that form of evidence will be received by your committee. Would greatly prefer being present." To which you answered: "Cannot extend time later than 14th. Statutory declaration cannot be received." Since then I have heard nothing from you until today, and assumed the incident was closed because nothing would have been gained by my going to Victoria and arriving there a day or so after your committee had risen and made its report. Before deciding to leave now must try and get some important matters here postponed and cannot in any event be in Victoria before Monday evening.

(Sd.) T. G. SHAUGHNESSY.

MR. CLIFFORD TO SIR THOMAS.

Victoria, B. C., May 11th, 1903.

Sir Thos. G. Shaughnessy, Montreal:
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(Sd.) C. W. D. CLIFFORD.

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CRICKET.

AT CANTON GROUNDS.

On Saturday afternoon a match was played between the Royal Garrison Minster eleven and a team from No. 8 Co., R.G.A., at the canton grounds. The game was uneven, the former aggregation defeating the R.G.A. by a margin of 100 runs.

SATURDAY'S GAME.

At the barracks next Saturday a match will be played between the Victoria Cricket Club, first eleven, and the Royal Garrison, first eleven. This will be practically the final game of the season. The V.C.C. is determined to win if possible, and as the Garrison team is strong and well-balanced an evenly contested match is anticipated.

VICTORIA VS. FERNWOODS.

On Saturday at Beacon Hill a match will take place between the Victoria, second eleven, and the Fernwoods.

COMMITTEE MEETING.

This evening a committee meeting of the Victoria Cricket Club will be held, commencing at 8 o'clock in the offices of Messrs. Swinerton & Oddy, Government street.

BASEBALL.

ADVERTISING CIGARS.

The next team that the Victoria will have to compete against is the Manuel Lopez eleven of Seattle, who, under the management of Frank Newman, have been fairly successful so far this season. The Lopez team has been organized by a well-known Seattle firm of cigar dealers to advertise their leading cigar called the "Manuel Lopez," which in consequence of considerable up-to-date advertising has become one of the most popular brands on the market. The team is composed mostly of professional players who have been employed by the various league teams on the coast at different times. They have been playing games with the now numerous teams on the Sound, and have met with considerable success. Mr. Vernon, Soda Water, Snohomish, and several other places have fallen victims to their superior playing.

The strong Whatcom bunch is about the only one that has done anything with them this season. There is no doubt that Manager Newman will lead up with several good men for the coming game, as he says he is determined to win a game on the Victoria grounds, having brought three teams over in the past, and not succeeding in bagging one game. The members of the local team will have practices

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this evening, and on Wednesday and Tuesday evenings, and expect to be in even better form than they were for last Saturday's game. Holmes will be in the box and Smith, as usual, behind the bat; the balance of the team will be announced later on in the week.

CANCELLED TOUR.

The Whatcom team will play here again on the 25th of this month, Empire Day, the University of California having cancelled their tour for this season. They were also to have played here on the 22nd and 23rd of May, but in consequence of their cancelling, these dates are for the present open ones. It is expected, however, that some good team from the Sound can be secured to fill them.

NOTES.

After last Saturday's victory over the Whatcom team, it is safe to expect that teams coming from the other side will do considerable strengthening up in order to come loaded for the Victoria.

ATHLETICS.

LIBERAL RESPONSE.

Last evening a general meeting of the James Bay Athletic Association was held, when the committee appointed to solicit subscriptions towards the expenses of the field day of the Pacific Northwest Amateur Athletic Association, which will this year be held in Victoria, reported the following: Wilson Bros., \$25; Bodwell & Duff, \$20; M. W. Wallis & Co., \$20; B. Williams, \$25; Hibben & Co., amount not decided upon; D. Spencer, \$15; Blackman & Ker, \$15; Ramsay & Co., \$10; J. Piercy & Co., \$10; C. E. Redford, \$10. In the event of a loss greater than \$200 being incurred in bringing off these sports, the following have agreed to contribute the sums opposite their names: J. H. Lawson, Jr., \$10; D. Leeming, \$10; W. T. Williams, \$10; E. Billingham, \$10; J. A. Hithet, \$10; A. E. Todd, \$10; J. Shalleross, \$10; J. Hart, \$10; Bessanette, \$10; J. C. Bridge-man, \$10; D. O'Sullivan, \$10; F. W. Thomas, \$10.

MONTHLY MEETING.

The monthly meeting of the management committee of the James Bay Athletic Association will be held this evening, commencing at 8 o'clock in the committee room.

PERSONAL.

T. W. Stack, of Yreka; R. Walker and wife, of Sidney; Mrs. E. W. Puden and daughter, of Madison, Wis.; C. L. Wendel and A. A. Pare, of Tacoma; H. Freeman and wife, W. A. Freeman and Mrs. McAuley, of Los Angeles; H. A. Solly, of Trout Lake; T. Dunsmuir, of Telegraph Creek; Mrs. W. A. Geddes and daughter, Agatha, of Toronto; Thos. Mason, wife, son and daughter, of Blackpool, Lancashire; Mrs. T. E. Cornell, of Vernon; Alex. Mitchell and Rev. Geo. Kaburagi, of Vancouver, are at the Dominion.

C. H. McIsaac, commissioner of the Lewis and Clark expedition to be held in Portland in 1905, has returned from Portland for the purpose of meeting Hon. Sydney Fisher, who is expected on the Empress of India to-day. Mr. McIsaac is desirous of interesting the Dominion government through the Minister of Agriculture in the proposal to send an exhibit from this province.

Among the Charmer's passengers for the Mainland was Geo. L. Clayton, of the firm of Clayton & Co., of this city. His business in Vancouver will be the installation of a refrigerating apparatus for the Burns Meat Co. From the Terminal City Mr. Clayton will proceed to Edmonton, where he will install a like apparatus for the Vogel Meat & Packing Co., of that place.

Herbert Carmichael, who recently returned from Nelson, sustained severe injuries of the cords in his knee joint. The accident was caused by his slipping down a flight of stairs while in Nelson. The injuries are mending rapidly, although they are causing Mr. Carmichael much pain and suffering.

Among the guests at the Dallas are: J. Schuster, C.P.R. ticket agent; D. W. Skinner, J. Millard, E. V. Dangerfield, A. Bird, E. Mayhew, A. E. Lamson, A. Madden, Mackenzie King and M. E. Giddens.

R. N. Ribbel and John Houston and wife, of Nelson; Colin H. McIsaac, of Portland; Casper Miller and J. S. Hough and wife, of Winnipeg; and T. J. Smith, of Vancouver, are guests at the Driad.

Rev. Dr. Sutherland, of Toronto, superintendent of Methodist missions, is here to attend the Methodist conference, also Rev. James Turner, of Kamloops, and are guests at the Dominion.

Capt. McKenzie, Dr. Toimie, C. J. South, R. Cassidy, Rev. A. Sutherland and Capt. J. W. Truop arrived from Vancouver by the steamer Yosemite last evening.

A. G. Langley, W. R. B. Pennington and Messrs. R. and W. N. Macrae have been awarded the degree of B.Sc. at McGill University.

A. T. Goward, manager of the B. C. Electric Railway Co., has returned from a visit to the Mainland.

Miss Perry, of San Francisco, and W. H. Johnston, of Winnipeg, are registered at the Vernon.

F. Matheson, Hudson's Bay representative at Telegraph Creek, is a guest at the Dominion.

G. H. Keefe, of Nelson, is in the city for the purpose of undergoing an operation.

R. Cassidy, K.C., arrived on last night's Yosemite from the Mainland.

M. Palmer and Mrs. Palmer arrived from the Sound yesterday.

F. V. Hobbs, of Port Renfrew, is registered at the Dominion.

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BACK AT WORK.

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While the longshoremen have gone to work, business at the docks will be congested until the teamsters' strike is settled, but it is expected they will return to work to-morrow pending a settlement of their differences, which involves increased wages and union recognition.

After the settlement Peers Davidson, legal adviser for the shipping interests, gave out this statement: "We're satisfied with the settlement as a whole, and consider that if its terms and spirit are lived up to, there will be no further friction upon the docks. The union has not been recognized, and the principle of free labor has been maintained. The labor bureau remains open, though union men are not required to sign at the bureau. Old employees, whether union or non-union, will

receive first consideration as respects vacancies now open."

J. G. O'Neill, vice-president of the International union, who led the strikers, said: "I think the settlement is a satisfactory and fair one to both parties. One good result from the strike, in addition to the substantial increase in the men's pay, is that it has brought the longshoremen and the shipping companies closer together. Each side has learned to know and respect the other, and it will prevent much trouble in the future. Personally I am opposed to strikes on account of the disturbance to business, but consider this one to have been absolutely necessary under the circumstances. It was a hard fight, but it is over, and the men have returned to work well satisfied."

The city's bill for guarding the docks by the militia will be in the neighborhood of \$18,000, but the mayor thinks the government ought to foot the bill, as the docks are government property. The militia was released this afternoon. Credit for settlement is divided among Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, Sir William Mulock, J. I. Tarte and Robert Bickerdike, M.P.

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Attention is called to Sec. 22 of the "Waterworks Regulation By-Law, 1900," which reads as follows: "No person shall sprinkle, or use in any manner whatsoever, the water supplied by the city upon lawns, gardens, yards or grounds of any description, except between the hours of 5 and 9 o'clock in the morning, and the hours of 5 and 10 o'clock in the evening, unless the water so used shall be supplied by meter."

JAS. L. RAYMUR, Water Commissioner.

City Hall, May 5th, 1903.

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WILLIAMS, H. PARRY.

Victoria, May 4th, 1903.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DANIEL CAMPBELL, LATE OF THE CITY OF VANCOUVER, B. C. MASTER MARINE.

Notice is hereby given that all creditors and others having claims against the estate of the said Daniel Campbell, who died on the 21st day of April, 1903, are required on or before the 31st day of June, 1903, to send to the undersigned their names and addresses and full particulars of their claims. And further take notice that after such date the administratrix will proceed to distribute the assets among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which she shall then have notice and that the said administratrix will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claims notice shall not have been received at the time of distribution.

Dated the 8th day of May, 1903.

GEO. A. MORPHY, Solicitor for the administratrix.

Victoria, B. C.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that at the next regular session of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria, I intend to apply for a transfer to Mrs. Carolina Fernando, of the said City of Victoria, of the license now held by me to sell spirituous and fermented liquors by retail, on the premises known as the Colonial Hotel, Johnson street, in the said City of Victoria.

Dated this 23rd day of April, 1903.

JOSEPH SAUER.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that at the next regular session of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria, I intend to apply for a transfer to Charles Albert Stewart, of this city, of Victoria, of the license now held by me to sell spirituous and fermented liquors by retail, on the premises known as the Colonial Hotel, corner of St. James and Catherine streets, in the said City of Victoria.

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Dargatzidis, Wm. Hayford, W. Blad, C.
Molander, Wm. A. M. Percy, J. Houston,
J. L. Pears, T. J. Smith, Capt. W. S. Mc-
Kenzie, A. J. Smith, Miss Giddens, A. Mit-
chell, J. Rye, R. Cassidy, Jas. Turner,
Rev. A. Sutherland, Capt. J. W. Traup, A.
Pugh, Mrs. H. Duckley, A. Black, C.
Killean, J. S. Haughton, Mrs. J. S. Haughton,
F. Clarkson, Mrs. J. H. Dean, W.
Cardigan, Mrs. S. Mason, T. Mason, Miss
Mason, Mrs. C. H. Davies, E. T. Gardner,
T. H. Best, C. H. Harris.
Per steamer Majestic from the Sound—
F. Freeman and wife, W. A. Freeman,
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Armstrong, A. E. Gered, Chas. Spritt, G.
D. Wendel, F. Johnson, Miss Dobson, J.
McKenzie, Mrs. Jackson, W. Hurle and wife,
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MINISTERS WORE DOWN MR. BROWN

(Continued from page 1.)

Mr. McPhillips then examined Mr. Brown. Mr. Brown admitted that Mr. McPhillips appeared only once with him before the executive—that was on the 5th September, 1902. It had no reference to blocks 4,593 and 4,594.

Mr. Duff announced that he had been acquainted with facts which he believed it was essential that Mr. Brown should be examined on.

The public were excluded while the committee discussed the matter.

It was decided that Mr. Duff should examine the witness on these points.

Proceeding, Mr. Duff asked if Mr. Wells spoke to him about the crown grants after he came back from Montreal.

Mr. Brown said that there was no use repeating it. Mr. Wells said one thing and he said another. Mr. Wells told him he had the grants in an envelope addressed to Sir Thomas Shaughnessy.

Asked as to seeing Mr. Wells in Hamilton, Mr. Brown said that crown grants were never mentioned. He remembered seeing him there, because of his taking Mr. Wells for a drive. The only cab he could get was an old dilapidated one.

He did not remember when he learned that bill 87 was withdrawn. The only explanation he got was that it could not pass the House. He could not recall any of the interviews.

He had a conversation with Mr. Oliver the day previous to his last examination before the committee. He did not remember telling Mr. Oliver that the bill was withdrawn because some supporters of the government would not support it.

He never told any one why the bill had been withdrawn. He did not tell Sir Thomas Shaughnessy. He wrote telling Sir Thomas that the bill was withdrawn.

Mr. Eberts, the acting premier, told him the bill was withdrawn. He did not recall that he gave reason for it.

Mr. McPhillips then continued his examination. Mr. Brown said Mr. Wells told him on the way to Montreal that he had the crown grants.

When did you hear that there was a string on the crown grants, and that there was a condition in connection with the delivery of them? asked Mr. McPhillips.

Mr. Brown replied that it was after his return.

Mr. McPhillips asked what Sir Thomas Shaughnessy told witness.

Mr. McPhillips objected to hearsay evidence.

Chairman Clifford said that he did not pretend to know what was a legal question. He did not propose to limit any member of the committee in any question to witnesses, and told Mr. McPhillips to proceed.

Mr. Brown said that Sir Thomas told him that he was allowing Mr. Wells to retain the crown grants for 4,593 and 4,594 upon the promise that they would be returned within thirty days.

The first time that he knew that the crown grants were not to be delivered was, he supposed, about the date of the rescinding order-in-council.

Mr. McPhillips asked concerning the meeting before 18th March, 1902, among Mr. Dunsmuir, Mr. Eberts and witness in the room of the latter. Mr. Brown said Mr. Dunsmuir stated that he had heard a statement to the effect that Mr. Wells had said that there was some land company being formed. He could not remember that any names were mentioned.

He could not recall that he even mentioned the names of himself and Mr. Eberts in that connection. Witness did not recall that Mr. Dunsmuir said he would cancel the crown grants. He went away with the idea that Mr. Dunsmuir did not pay much attention to this.

Mr. Brown said he did not, as well as he could remember, discuss the matter with Mr. Taylor before the rescinding order-in-council. He did not consider it necessary to take steps in that direction.

When he heard that the rescinding order had been passed he went to Mr. Gore and to Mr. Wells. He protested against the rescinding order. He then arranged to see before the executive. He protested against the action. No further reasons were given. The government never gave him any reasons for the passing of the order-in-council.

At the meeting he called attention to the report and urged that perhaps that was the reason for the cancellation; that the names of Sir Thomas Shaughnessy and himself had been called in question. He asked that their names be

vindicated, which was done. No reasons were given for the cancellation.

Mr. Wells never put the proposition of building to Spence's Bridge in connection with the subsidy matter of the Columbia and Western. He conveyed the idea that this was an entirely independent matter in connection with a government railway policy.

Taking up bill 87, of 1902, Mr. McPhillips asked if Mr. Brown's solicitors had drawn the bill?

Mr. Brown said he could not say. He did not recall the circumstances.

Will you say that your solicitor never drew up the bill? asked Mr. McPhillips.

"I do not recall it," replied Mr. Brown. "I do not recall it."

Bringing to the attention of Mr. Brown the reference in his letter to Mr. Wells asking if the bill was to be introduced, as drafted, the witness said he supposed he must have seen a proof of it. He would not say that the Attorney-General drew up the bill. He did not know that Mr. Taylor drew it up. Witness never asked him to do so. He did not know that Mr. Davis drew it up. He admitted that if Mr. Davis was here at the time, he might have asked him to do so. If Mr. Davis was not in the city and he required a solicitor, he would probably seek Mr. Helmecken.

The only excuse which Mr. Wells conveyed to him as the reason for withholding the crown grants was one of "political expediency."

Mr. Wells referred to the applications for coal licenses as a reason why it was unwise to deliver these.

"He did not convey the idea that there had been any over-reaching on the part of yourself or your company?" asked Mr. McPhillips.

"None whatever," replied Mr. Brown. "It was simply political tremors," he said.

"Yes," returned Mr. Brown. "The Premier never raised any point about building the extension to Spence's Bridge before the rescinding order in council. He had heard of this since the rescinding order."

After seeing the Premier about the crown grants and getting the promise that he (Dunsmuir) would see Mr. Wells, witness spoke to Mr. Wells.

"What did he say?" asked Mr. McPhillips.

"He said not to worry," replied Mr. Brown.

"He was still worrying about the political situation?" continued Mr. McPhillips.

"Yes," replied Mr. Brown. "He was worried, and he did not want you to worry," added Mr. McPhillips.

In reply to Mr. Green, Mr. Brown said that he never had a conversation with anyone else along the lines which had been suggested as having been held with Mr. Oliver concerning the withdrawal of bill 87.

Mr. Brown said he never told anyone he would rather withdraw the bill than divide up with them.

Referring again to the correspondence produced by him, Mr. Brown believed that perhaps his secretary had got the correspondence.

It was explained that Mr. Helmecken's opinion was not taken by Mr. Brown in connection with bill 87.

John Oliver was called. He said he had a conversation with Mr. Brown before the latter's examination on 21st April. He walked from the boat with him. He saw him again before Mr. Brown gave evidence. Mr. Brown was asked by him what reason the government gave for withdrawal of bill 87.

Mr. Brown said in effect that several supporters would not support the bill unless there was something in it for them. The meaning conveyed to witness was that that was the excuse given by the government to Brown. The reason why this was not raised in the examination of Mr. Brown was that he came to the conclusion that perhaps Mr. Brown was trying to put him off and trying to "play" him.

He was trying to get information from Mr. Brown, and thought he might have done this to him and him off. He took the view now stated of it at the time it was given. The conversation took place in the lobby of the House.

It was after consideration that he got the idea that Mr. Brown was trying to head him off.

In reply to Mr. Helmecken he said that no members' names were mentioned. He had no reason to change his mind with respect to Mr. Brown having been jollying him.

The committee then adjourned until 2:30 this afternoon, when Mr. Wells will be cross-examined by Mr. Davis.

"Very Bad Faith."
(Special to the Times.)

Montreal, May 12.—When asked by a correspondent what would be the nature of his evidence before the commission, Sir Thomas Shaughnessy said that it would relate entirely to the non-delivery of the patents.

"The whole thing is an act of very bad faith on the part of the British Columbia government. We know nothing of the excuses which the administration in that province is now seeking to give relative to the non-delivery of the grants. Those were matters which rest between Mr. Wells and his colleagues. All I know is that the O. P. R. earned the land grants in question and that Mr. Wells asked permission to retain the patents for a few days, practically in trust for me, and then Mr. Wells went back to British Columbia and cancelled the grants."

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BORERS FOR MEXICO.

Gen. Viljoen Says One Thousand Families Will Probably Leave the Transvaal.

(Associated Press.)
New York, May 12.—Gen. Benjamin Viljoen, former assistant commander-in-chief of the burgher forces in the Boer war and a member for Johannesburg in the Transvaal Volksraad, and Gen. W. D. Symon, a prominent Boer commander, arrived in this city last night from Mexico after completing an arrangement with the Mexican government by which \$2,000 acres of best land of the country has been secured for a home for immigrants from South Africa.

Gen. Symon will await the arrival of his family, who are expected within a few days, and Gen. Viljoen will sail for South Africa on May 17th to conduct the first expedition to the new country.

"I expect," said Gen. Viljoen last night, "to bring fifty families immediately, and that other families will follow soon. Fully 1,000 families will join the movement. The land secured by us is a beautiful fertile strip known as Santa Rosalia, in the state of Chihuahua, and near Ortiz station, on the Mexican Central railway. Already men are at work there sowing corn. The new comers will be landed at Vera Cruz."

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MUNSBIE—At Vancouver on May 10th, the wife of H. Munsbie of a son.

DIED.

LOEWEN—In this city, at his residence, Rockwood, George road, on the 11th inst., Joseph Loewen, aged 71 years, a native of Bremen.

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WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C.M.C.
City Clerk's office, Victoria, B.C., May 12th, 1903.

I. O. O. F.

Officers and members of Columbia Lodge, No. 2, are requested to meet at the Lodge Rooms Douglas street, to-morrow, Wednesday, at 1:30 p.m., for the purpose of attending the funeral of the late Bro. Joseph Loewen. Members of sister lodges and sojourning brothers are cordially invited to attend.

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